ject namely Bhimsagar though taken up in the First Plan, are still ongoing.

(c) and (d) Full spillover cost has been provided for completion of these projects in the VIII plan.

Vaigai System in Tamil Nadu

1430. SHRI S.VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank team has studied the proposal to develop Vaigai system to Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the outcome of the conclusion arrived at by the World Bank team ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Only recently from April 6 to 27, 1993 the World Bank consultants visited the Vaigai System to study and prepare a model report on the existing system which, among others, includes formation of connecting channels, lining of existing channels at selected reaches, rehabilitation of existing irrigation structures and construction of new structures.

Potteru Canal System in Orissa

1431. SHRI PRAVAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) what is the present status of Potteru Canal System in the state of Orissa;

(b) what is the total amount and time required to complete the said Project; and

(c) what is the Central Government's share of financial assistance to be released for the purpose and what Central Government's share is due up till now for this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P.K. THUNGON) : (a) Potteru Canal System comprises of 2 main canals, 9 distributaries and minor/sub-minors. About 99% of earth work and 95.5% of structures on the main canals and 81% of earth work and 28.2 % of structures on distributaries/minors/ sub-minors have been completed.

(b) and (c) The Potteru Irrigation Project, bring implemented by the Government of Orissa, is fully funded by the Central Government. The latest estimated cost of the Project is Rs. 102.39 crores. Against an expenditure of Rs. 79.80 crores incurred by the State Government till 12/92, an amount of Rs. 59.69 crores has been reimbursed by the Central Government. The project is scheduled for completion by 1995-96.

Brahmaputra Board without Chairman and Secretary

1432. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) since when the Brahmaputra Board is functioning without the Chairman and the Secretary;